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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

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BILL NUMBER: SB 237

DATE PREPARED: Dec 20, 2000

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Retention of Election Materials.

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FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: The bill makes election materials available to the public following an election, after expiration of the period for filing a petition or cross-petition for a recount of votes or to contest the election. The bill also requires a county voter registration office to keep confidential that portion of election material necessary to protect the secrecy of a voter's ballot.

Effective Date: Upon passage.

Explanation of State Expenditures:

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: This bill provides that specific election materials are to be made available for copying and inspection. The current statute provides that each county is required to establish a fee schedule for the copying of documents. The fee may not exceed the actual cost of copying a document. Actual cost includes the cost of paper and the per page cost for use of copying and does not include labor costs or overhead costs. The fiscal impact of this proposal is negligible.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: County election board; Circuit court clerk.

Information Sources: